

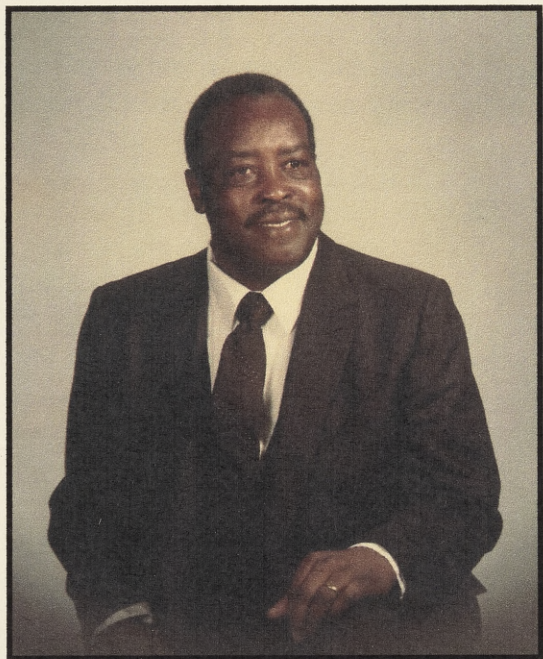
*Home Going Celebration*  
*For*  
*Deacon John "Doc" Drayden*

*Sunrise*

February 7, 1930

*Sunset*

August 16, 2005



*Services Held*

Saturday, August 20, 2005

11:00 A.M.

McGlothen Temple Church of God in Christ

1443 Filbert Street

Richmond, California

*Officiating*

Administrative Assistant John A. Jennings, Pastor



## *Remembering*

**John Drayden** was born in Jonesville, Texas on February 7, 1930, to the proud parents, the late Taylor Drayden and Cedell Choice.

**John** received his early education in the Texas School System. After moving to California with his family he continued his education in the El Cerrito School System graduating from El Cerrito High School.

**John** served his country in the United States Army, fighting in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged after serving two years. He worked at Mare Island shipyards, where he retired after working 36 years.

**John** was a very loving and devoted husband, dad (Poppy), and grandfather (Papa). He enjoyed hobbies such as traveling and fishing, once being an avid fisherman. One of his greatest joys was being able to help others!

**John** was a member of Progressive Baptist Church in Berkeley, California for 35 years. While worshipping there, he served on the Usher Board and sang in the Junior Choir. He joined the McGlothen Temple Church of God in Christ in 1980 where he served faithfully under Bishop C.J. Davis and Adm. Asst. J.A. Jennings. He served as a Deacon, Church Bus Driver and sang in the Male Chorus. He also enjoyed working with the Youth and the Mission Department.

**John** met and married the love of his life, Maribeth. They enjoyed 27 wonderful years, celebrating their 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on August 12, 2005

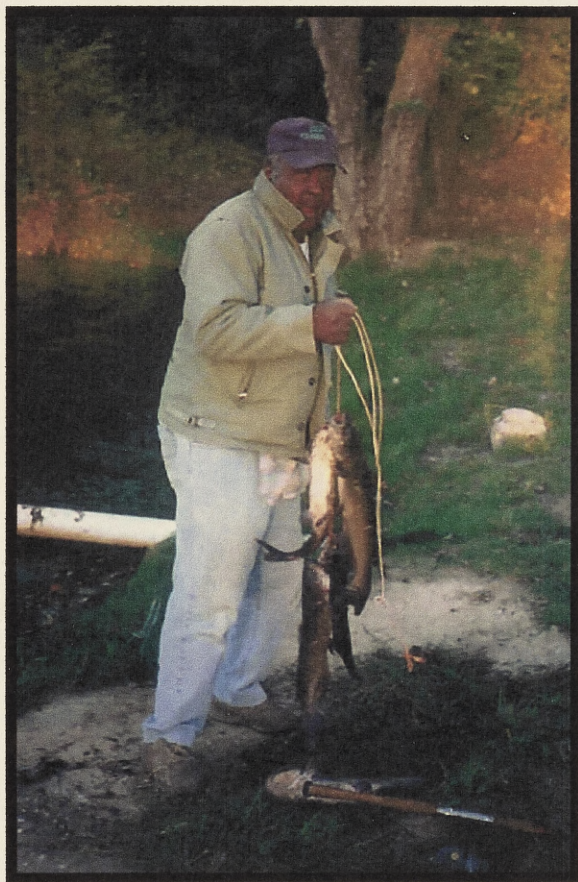
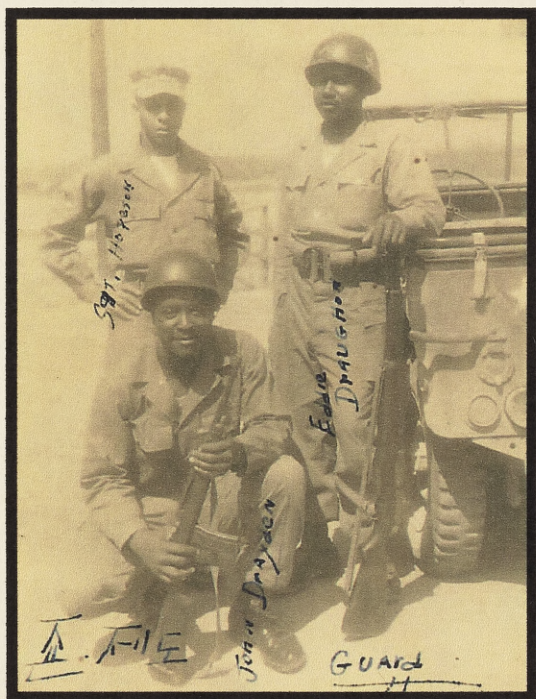
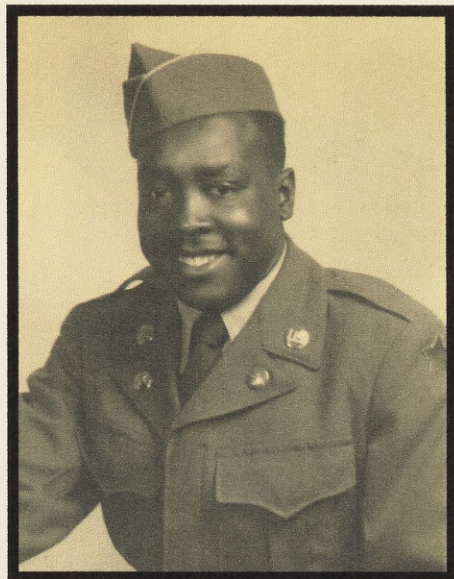
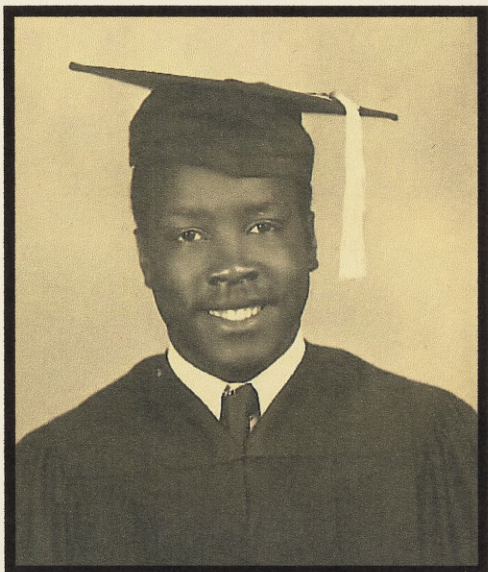
**John** departed this life on Tuesday, August 16, 2005. He leaves to cherish his precious memories, a loving and devoted wife Maribeth, one son, Kim (Diane) of Alaska, four daughters, Tonya Drayden-Voss (Robert) of Oregon, Carolyn Washington, Julianne Mullins and Oneta Luckey of California, one sister Odessa Wafer (Lonnie) of Richmond, CA, two brothers, Thomas (Florence) of Ohio and T.S. (Alithea) of California. His loving memories will always be with his six grandchildren Tiffany, Bradley, Nicholas, and Matthew Washington, Silas Drayden, and Blake John Thomas. He also leaves to cherish his memories one uncle Innis Choice, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He will also be greatly missed by his loving church family.



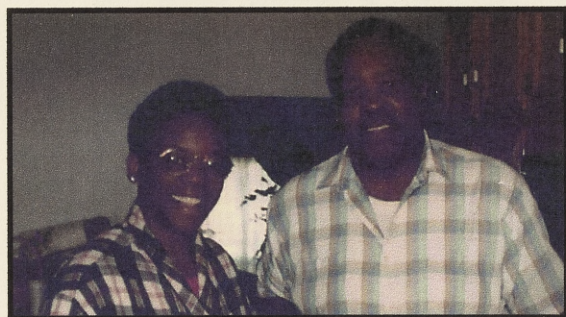
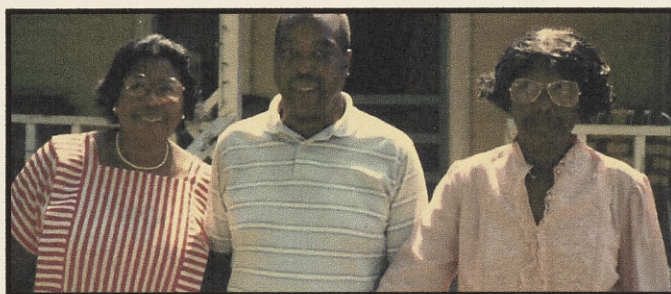
*For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.  
I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:  
II Timothy 4:6 & 7*



*John*







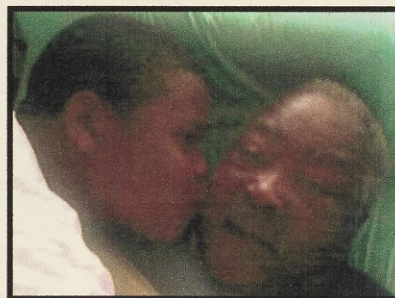
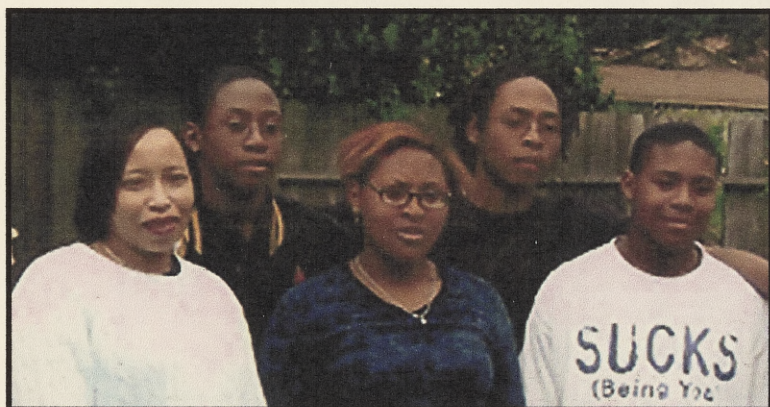
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# *Endless Love*



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## *Order of Service*

Musical Prelude		
Processional		
Master of Ceremonies		Elder Bruce Darden, Jr.
Invocation		Elder Phil Hollins
Old Testament		Elder Dennis Braxton
New Testament		Elder Ronald Huey
Selection		Male Chorus
Expressions	<i>"2 Minutes Please"</i>	Family & Friends
Reflections		
McGlothen Temple Women's Department		Mother V. Williams
McGlothen Temple Chairman of Deacon Board		Deacon R. Robinson
Solo		Elder Ronald Huey, Sr.
Reflections		
Greater Richmond District Women's Dept.		Dist. Miss'y M. Hall
Expressions	<i>Elders/Minister</i>	Elder Gordon Choice
Resolutions		
Local		Miss'y B. Shephard
District		Mother V. Williams
Cards/Condolences		Miss'y K. Hollins
Obituary		Read Silently
Selection		Evang. Mary Willard
Eulogy		Administrative Asst. J.A. Jennings
Parting View		Rose Manor
Recessional		



## *Pallbearers*

Deacon Verdell Evans      Mr. William Forbes      Mr. Herman Phillips  
Deacon Rufus Robinson      Brother Fredrick Shephard      Mr. Booker Washington

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Mr. Innis Choice      Mr. Kim Drayden      Mr. Corey Wafer  
Mr. Craig Wafer      Mr. Gary Wafer      Mr. Steve Wafer  
McGlothen Temple Deacon Board

## *Acknowledgement*

*Perhaps you sang a touching song, or came and just sat quietly in a chair..*

*Perhaps you sent lovely flowers, If so we saw them there...*

*Perhaps you sent or spoke comforting words, Or helped us pray...*

*Perhaps you were not there at all, Just thought of us today...*

*Perhaps you prepared some tasty food, Or maybe furnished a car...*

*Perhaps you rendered a service unseen, Right here or afar...*

*Whatever you did to console our hearts...*

*We thank you sincerely, whatever the part.*

*May God Bless You.*

*The Family of Deacon John Drayden*



## *Final Arrangements Entrusted To*

Rose Manor Funeral Home  
3331 MacDonald Street  
Richmond, California

## *Interment*

Rolling Hills Memorial Park  
4100 Hilltop Drive  
Richmond, California